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Admiral Conrad Lautenbacher, USN (Retired) Undersecretary for Commerce and Oceans and Atmosphere and NOAA Administrator 1401 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20230

Dear Admiral Lautenbacher:

The Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) recently sent you a letter with recommendations regarding the operation of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary's Advisory Council (SAC).

The City Council has requested that I send you this letter to express that the City of Santa Cruz has found the SAC to be effective, responsive, and cooperative. It is doing a great job; we appreciate the willingness of the SAC and its staff to be responsive and even more inclusive in agreeing to the things that have been requested by AMBAG.

Sincerely,

Mike Rotkin

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cc: Congressmember Sam Farr Chancellor, University of California, Santa Cruz

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